

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR  
THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

RUSSIAN RESEARCH CENTER  
THE KURCHATOV INSTITUTE,

Plaintiff,

v.

WESTERN SERVICES CORP., et al.,

Defendants and  
Third-Party Plaintiff,

v.

GSE SYSTEMS, INC.

Third-Party  
Defendants.

Case No.: AMD 02-3878

**ORDER**

The matter came before the Court on defendant Western Services Corp.'s Motion for a Protective Order Against Abusive Third Party Discovery.

For good cause shown, and pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26, it is hereby **ORDERED** that defendant's motion is **GRANTED**, and Plaintiff Russian Research Center Kurchatov Institute ("Kurchatov") and third-party defendant GSE Systems, Inc. ("GSE") are hereby **DIRECTED** (i) to withdraw any pending subpoenas to non-party customers of Western and its prime contractor, Data Systems & Solutions LLC ("DS&S"), and (ii) to seek the consent of Western before serving any new discovery on non-party customers of Western or DS&S. It is further **ORDERED**

that in the event that such consent is not forthcoming, Kurchatov and GSE shall not serve new discovery on such non-parties without obtaining an order of this Court permitting it to do so. Such an order will be granted only upon a showing that the proposed discovery is relevant and necessary and could not be produced by Western or DS&S.

**SO ORDERED.**

Entered: \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

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United States District Judge